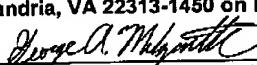


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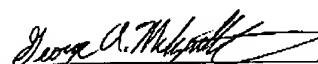
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Sir:

No attorneys with the law firm of Cahn & Samuels, LLP are of record in the above-identified patent application in view of the October 6, 2003 Power of Attorney (a copy is attached) filed by the inventor, which should not have made the Request for Withdrawal filed on September 11, 2003 (a copy is attached) moot. Please remove all attorneys connected with the PTO Customer Number 25534 from this patent application, and change the correspondence address as requested in the October 6, 2003 Power of Attorney. Please act upon the Request for Withdrawal.

We have forwarded the November 23, 2004 communication, which was received today in the mail, along with a copy of this Letter to the last known address of the attorney responsible for this patent application.

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